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Chapter 1 : Full text of "The water supply of the city of Toronto, Canada"

Toronto's tap water is continuously tested, monitored and analyzed to ensure it meets the strict standards of Toronto Public Health, the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada.

We can help improve the water pressure in your plumbing system, relocate water meters, change lead pipe to copper pipe, and fix frozen pipes to prevent burst pipes. More water use your shower, and dishwasher, and laundry on the same time! Clean copper pipe instead of galvanized rusted pipe! Anta Plumbing call center agents are standing by to assist you Water Supply Service AnTa Plumbing and Drain Toronto Company with extensive experience in upgrading water supply lines. In the water supply system, pipe of increasingly smaller diameter is called for as the supply pipes branch out from the water main that enters the house. Water in the main is under tremendous water pressure sometimes far more pressure than can be safely handled by the individual sinks faucets, toilets and appliances in the home. The successive drop in pressure as the water moves from main, to primary supply lines, to secondary supply lines ensures that each appliance receives an appropriate amount of pressure. Water Supply System Your home plumbing consists of two separate systems, the water service system and drain-waste-vent system. The water service system transport potable water water that is fit for human consumption and use from a water treatment plant through a water main and into the home. The piping is split into two layouts. One carries water directly to the water softener, if you have one, then to the water heater, and through hot water pipes to the various fixtures where hot water is needed. Like the hot water system, the cold water branch routes the water to various fixtures, including the sink, toilets, bathtubs and laundry equipment, and also to exterior faucets called hose bibs or sill cocks. The second part of the plumbing system is a drain-waste-vent system At the water service entry you will find a water meter and a main shutoff valve. The water meter, of course, measures water usage for billing by the utility company. The gate valve allows you to turn off the water flow to the entire house, in case of emergency or to make needed repairs. There is another shutoff valve beneath the toilet tank or water closet. This valve permits you to shut off the water service the toilet without having to shut off the water to entire house. In oldest houses this may be the only fixture shut off valve and you may have to shut off the entire system at the main shut off valve to work on faucets in other fixtures. In modern houses, there are often service shut off valves at sinks and laundry equipment, so you can shut down the water supply fixture by fixture instead of having to shut down the entire house. Because the water supply pipes are pressurized, they can be smaller than drain pipes, which operate by gravity. The pressurized supply pipes and fixtures are naturally more subject to leaks, due to the pressure. If pressure on the street supply pipe is over 80 pounds per sq. The water pressure in your house is 80 psi or less. Copper Pipe Healthy Pipes. In past years, lead has been used in a variety of applications, such as water service supply pipes, drainage pipes, flashings for stacks, shower stall safes and water closet connections. Up until the late s, lead pipes were still used, although not extensively, in residential plumbing system. The water from your water treatment plant might be lead-free, but it can pick up some of this metal along the way. You can take some precautions: Install a water filter that removes lead. After reading this, you may agree that your lead pipe plumbing system has to be changed to copper pipe. Toronto has more than , water services connections and almost 65, of these are made of lead. Approximately 3, are replaced each year. Water pressure Rusted, sedimented water pipe There two issues here: A main water supply pipe or service line could be as small as a half inch in diameter and possibly corroded, at that. Water pressure is pretty much a constant thing you have to work around, but pipe sizing can be changed. Your main water supply pipe should be your first consideration before adding any new fixtures onto an old system. As pipes close down due to corrosion, they lose the capacity to carry a sufficient volume to deliver a desired amount of water at the taps. Some older homes have pipes that are too small for modern requirements. Your main shut off valve, located on the property line, which is often near the street or sidewalk, is connected to the supply pipe and then to the water meter inside of the house close to the front wall most of it. You should be able to trace the probable path of the

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pipe to your house. Replacing the pipe usually means digging a trench from the property line main shut off valve to your house. The pipe might be running under a driveway or sidewalk, and we must find either an alternative route or an alternative to digging in order to replace it. Anta Plumbing has a new trenchless solution that only requires a small hole on the property line, which enables us to install a full run of new copper water supply line with connections to your water meter or the hot water tank. Installing pipes with a larger diameter brings more water to your home. Low water pressure Increase water pressure If your water pressure is low, check to see if aerator screens or water-saving devices are clogged. Remove the heads from the affected faucets, and test the water flow. If that solves the problem, you can just replace the clogged pieces. Sediment can build up in your water heater, reducing the flow of water over time, especially in areas with hard water. Drain your water heater every few months to remove sediment buildup. Another culprit in low water pressure is that supply lines are too small; if so, you should increase their size. Anta Plumbing can quickly and conveniently install new, bigger pipes using state-of-the-art trenchless technology that requires no digging and leaves no mess. Our water supply line services New water supply line.

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Landscape The city site The site of the city is almost uniformly flat, although 3 to 4 miles 5 to 6 km inland there is a fairly sharp rise of some 40 feet 12 metres – the shoreline elevation of the former glacial Lake Iroquois. Streets are laid out in a grid, although the pattern is modified to some extent by diagonal roads roughly following the shoreline. The central business areas are located around Bloor and Yonge streets and Yonge and Queen streets. The central financial district, with its numerous insurance and banking offices and the Toronto Stock Exchange, is in the vicinity of King and Bay streets, south of the old City Hall. The city also features an extensive system of underground tunnels and concourses lined with shops, restaurants, and theatres. Through the construction of new housing and mixed-use projects, together with the restoration and rehabilitation of heritage buildings, an extraordinary vitality has been brought to the urban core. Ferry service connects the dock area to the Toronto Islands, about half a mile offshore, which have yacht clubs, a small airport, recreational facilities, and a residential community. Large expanses of grass and tall shade trees make this a pleasant area, complementing the ravines that form so important an element in the metropolitan parks system. One of the most attractive residential areas in Toronto is Rosedale, an older neighbourhood of dignified houses and winding, tree-lined streets quite close to the downtown centre, which itself contains many attractive streets of modest, well-designed houses. Heavy snowfall, however, is rare even in January and February, the coldest months.

Economy Industry and trade Toronto enjoys the economic benefits of its position on the Great Lakes and of its development as a rail and trucking centre. It is readily accessible to major industrial centres in the United States and to oceangoing shipping. The Toronto Stock Exchange is, in value of trading, one of the largest stock exchanges in North America. In addition to an extensive bus network and streetcar routes, the modern, efficient mass transit system has three subway lines and a rapid line.

Administration and social conditions Before being amalgamated in into the City of Toronto, a single administrative unit, the former Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto comprised a number of large municipalities that were governed by the Metropolitan Council. The mayor and City Council representing more than 40 wards now govern the city. There are also four community councils for Etobicoke York, North York, Scarborough, and Toronto and East York, which consider planning and local matters for their area of the city. The Toronto Symphony Orchestra and other musical groups have an international reputation. There are three major theatres, together with many small experimental theatres. The Art Gallery of Ontario and the Royal Ontario Museum have excellent collections, and there are numerous privately owned galleries. Other attractions include the Ontario Science Centre, with its imaginative working exhibits, and Ontario Place, a large complex of recreational facilities on man-made islands that are an extension to the permanent Canadian National Exhibition. Ice-skaters in Nathan Phillips Square, Toronto. Also adding to the colour and vitality of the city are the zoo opened in ; dozens of excellent restaurants, boutiques, and movie theatres; and major sports teams. There is an active winter season of cultural activities, with a rich fare of concerts, theatre, opera, ballet, and films. Lectures, seminars, evening classes, and meetings of all kinds cover a multitude of subjects, and the religious life of the community is sustained by a variety of churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, and other meeting places. Many ethnic groups organize traditional festivals, balls, entertainments, and social activities. An international air show; agricultural, animal, and flower displays; theatrical and musical events; and a fairground attract millions of visitors in the late summer each year. The permanent buildings are used for trade shows and other special events between seasons. The area has two seasonal amusement parks: The Toronto and Region Conservation Authority is an important joint provincial-municipal agency concerned with the development of recreational areas, flood control, and the conservation of existing woodlands and

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waterways. The authority also offers assistance and technical advice to rural landowners. Toronto is the main regional tourist centre serving the Muskoka Lakes , the Haliburton Highlands, and Georgian Bay , all magnificent lakeland and forest areas with fine hunting, fishing, and camping facilities. Algonquin Provincial Park is some miles km to the north, Niagara Falls is about 50 miles 80 km south, and the city is surrounded by beautiful rolling farmland, with well-marked sites of historical and architectural interest. Camping, cottaging, boating, and fishing in summer and skiing, ice hockey , and curling in winter are the most popular forms of outdoor recreation. History Early settlement The first known settlements in the Toronto area, Teiaiagon and Ganatsekwyagon, were inhabited by Seneca and later Mississauga Native American peoples. Teiaiagon was located on the east bank of the Humber River. Ganatsekwyagon was located near the mouth of the Rouge River. In the 17th century Teiaiagon became a trading post, strategically situated at the crossing of ancient Indian trails going west to the Mississippi River and north to Lake Simcoe and beyond into vast wilderness areas. These land and water routes were followed by explorers, fur traders, missionaries, and others intent upon opening up and exploiting the resources of the Great Lakes region. After Teiaiagon was abandoned in the late 17th century, French fur traders set up in its place a small store, Magasin Royal, that operated from to . By the mid 18th century the name Toronto had come to be commonly used for one of three tiny forts built in 1750 in the area by the French to defend their trade with the Indians against English and other European competitors. The French were defeated in 1760 and the forts were subsequently destroyed, but the settlement survived as a trading post. Some 40, loyalists are said to have settled in the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence areas at this time, and during the 19th century large numbers of immigrants came from Great Britain. In 1827 Sir Guy Carleton later 1st Baron Dorchester , governor of Quebec , opened negotiations with three Native American chiefs for the purchase of a site for the future capital of Ontario. York, with a population of 10,000, was practically defenseless. It was taken in April 1813 and was pillaged and occupied by U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland. In 1827 there was a disastrous fire that destroyed some 15 acres 6 hectares of the downtown area, including St. Lawrence Market, and many offices, stores, and warehouses, but the city soon recovered. Evolution of the modern city Rapid development followed the coming of the Grand Trunk and Great Western railways in the 1820s, and for a decade prosperity was enhanced by a treaty with the United States that gave certain products of Canada free entry to markets south of the border. The timber resources of the province were exploited, and large areas of land were converted to farming. Thus, Toronto grew rapidly as an industrial, trading, and distributing centre; its population was 45,000 in 1827, 100,000 in 1841, and 250,000 in 1851. Map of Toronto c. 1850 Prosperity and security were reflected in civic improvement, great building activity, and cultural progress. Lawrence Hall, and University College now part of the University of Toronto , all of which are still extant. The Grand Opera House since demolished was opened in 1829, a stolid successor to the numerous small theatres of midcentury that were mostly converted barns. During the 50 years from 1827 to 1877, the city maintained its boundaries virtually unchanged. Some reclamation near the lake improved lakeshore properties and docking facilities. Largely by the annexation of adjacent villages and towns, the area of the city doubled by 1851 and doubled again by 1877. The Great Depression of the 1930s caused severe financial problems for suburban Toronto. Capital debt payments could not be met, and expenditure on public services—sewage and piped water supply in places remote from the lake, for example—had to be postponed. A rapid increase in population after World War II added to the municipal burden, and many solutions were investigated. In 1951 the Ontario Municipal Board recommended for the 13 municipalities the establishment of a federated form of government unique in North America. One of the first tasks of the council was to find ways and means of dealing with common major problems by united action, while also permitting local matters to be handled independently. Since the joint credit of the combined municipalities was much greater than the sum of their credits as individual authorities, financing was greatly simplified. A common level of assessment and tax rate on property—the main source of revenue—was agreed upon by each municipality. A most significant feature of the system was that members of the Metropolitan Council were appointed by virtue of their election to office either as mayors, aldermen, or controllers of a particular municipality, thus ensuring a high degree of coordination and good communication

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between the central body and the local municipalities. The Metropolitan Council worked well: In the Corporation of Metropolitan Toronto was reorganized. The 13 municipalities were reduced to six, and the council was increased to 33 members. Later legislation gave the boroughs the option to rename themselves cities. The council considerably extended its responsibilities in education and the social services, adding, for example, urban renewal , waste disposal , and ambulance and library services. In and the council was again increased in size, and it added to its jurisdiction such problems as the control of urban development and housing for the elderly. Learn More in these related Britannica articles:

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The drinking water guidelines are designed to protect the health of the most vulnerable members of society, such as children and the elderly. The guidelines set out the basic parameters that every water system should strive to achieve in order to provide the cleanest, safest and most reliable drinking water possible. As all levels of government hold key policy and regulatory levers which apply to water and sanitation, a central challenge is to ensure that these levers are developed and used collaboratively. The Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment - which consists of the 14 environment ministers from the federal, provincial and territorial governments - plays an important role in the development of national strategies, norms and guidelines for water supply and sanitation. According to the Canadian Water and Waste Water Association "Canada faces a variety of provincial and territorial approaches to wastewater and biosolids that are not consistent with federal legislation, and we have no structure to have a rational science-based discussion of the policies and regulatory requirements that would enable us to identify and promote the beneficial use of these environmental resources. The provinces and territories are responsible for developing and enforcing all legislation pertaining to municipal and public water supplies including their construction and operation. In many, but not in all provinces, these bodies also regulate tariffs and service quality of water and sewer utilities. The Federal Government[edit] The federal government has certain specific responsibilities relating to water, such as fisheries and navigation, as well as exercising certain overall responsibilities such as the conduct of external affairs. Within the federal government, over 20 departments and agencies have responsibilities for freshwater. To protect and enhance the quality of the water resource and to promote the wise and efficient management and use of water. The Canadian Environmental Protection Act, , completes the framework for the protection and of water resources. Health Canada is the federal department in charge of protecting the health of all Canadians by developing the Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality in partnership with the provinces and territories. Infrastructure Canada , a department established in , is a focal point for the Government of Canada on infrastructure issues and programs within the larger Transport, Infrastructure and Communities TIC portfolio. Service provision[edit] Service provision is the responsibility of about 4, municipalities. Municipalities in Canada are not mentioned in the constitution and thus depend heavily on provincial governments, which can create or dissolve municipalities, determine municipal responsibilities and what taxes municipalities can levy and set standards for service delivery. Many provinces prohibit municipalities from running an operating deficit and restrict municipal borrowing to capital expenditures, while providing them conditional and unconditional transfers. For example, the Ontario Clean Water Agency OCWA , a Crown agency of the Province of Ontario, provides operation, maintenance and management services for more than water and waste water treatment facilities in the province on behalf of about Ontario municipalities. Overall there are approximately 9, public water and sanitation systems in the country. These include about 2, municipally owned water and sewer utilities in urban areas and approximately 6, small privately owned and operated systems providing public services in or at trailer parks and recreational facilities such as camp grounds, golf courses and ski facilities, etc. Human resources Some , Canadians were directly employed in the operation of these municipal services in the late s, and although statistics are not available for those employed in the private supplier sector, it is likely to be to the same order. CWWA is recognized by the federal government and national bodies as the national voice of this public service sector. Only about 45 percent of the population served was found to be under a rate structure that provided an incentive to conserve water: The difference is made up from general municipal revenues e. All Provinces and Territories provide funds via transfers to the municipal governments in their jurisdictions. Conditional grants can either be lump-sum payments non-matching transfers or matching grants. Matching grants provide a certain percentage

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of financing that varies among Provinces and programs, while requiring the balance to be paid by the municipality. None of these funds is dedicated exclusively to water supply and sanitation. The funds managed by the department include three funds under the Building Canada program:

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Chapter 8 : City Water: Water Filtration and Purification Systems Toronto, Ontario, Canada

95% of the world has rejected using the water supply to treat people with chemical fluoride. Water fluoridation violates our right to informed consent.

Chapter 9 : City of Toronto

Access and service quality. Access to water supply in Canada is nearly universal. Concerning sanitation, nearly 75% of Canadians are serviced by municipal sewer blog.quintoapp.com remaining 25 percent of the Canadian population is served by septic disposal systems.